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**VIA Electronic Mail and First-Class Mail**

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary  
Department of Telecommunications and Energy  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
One South Station, Second Floor  
Boston, MA 02110

**RE: DTE 04-33: Verizon Massachusetts Petition for Consolidated Arbitration**

Dear Secretary Cottrell,

Pursuant to the Procedural Order dated December 15, 2004 in the above-referenced proceeding, please accept this as a Letter of Continued Participation on behalf of Budget Phone, Inc., Covista, Inc., McGraw Communications, Inc., Acceris Communications Corp. f/k/a WorldxChange Corporation, BCN Telecom, Inc. f/k/a NUI Telecom, Inc., and New Horizons Communications Corporation. The above named companies seek to continue to participate in this proceeding on a limited basis should the Department grant their request to continue to participate.

Each of the above named companies are a party to an interconnection agreement with Verizon and any decision made by the Department in this proceeding will impact each such company's business.

The above named companies initially reserved their rights to participate in this Docket by letter dated April 8, 2004.

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary  
Department of Telecommunications and Energy  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
December 28, 2004  
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I have also enclosed an extra copy of this letter to be date-stamped and returned to me in the enclosed preaddressed, postage-prepaid envelope. Should you have any questions or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.  
Thank you.

Respectively submitted,

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